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George Perkins, chairman Mayor Mitchel's food and market committee, New York, (Paternal Perkins, as he is called by the grocers), was trying to explain why his attempt to force a fish of large business experience and and bean diet onto poor Gothamites did not work out satisfactorily. He used a column and a half and policies. letter in the New York Journal of Commerce to do it. The explanation seemed very simple. A lot of the beans purchased by the committee were wormy, and a bout 50 per cent of the fishsmelts-were so stale that they lived up to their name. What other explanation was needed?

No foreign enemy can conquer the United States. When America's power wanes, it will be be cause of weakness within. Internal weakness can come only from a decadence of individuals a loss of individual initiative, individual efficiency, individual in tegrity or individual courage. Our future depends upon the ei.couragement of enterprise, ability, honesty and fearlessness. Nothing in governmental activity should be permitted to discourage the development 'of any of these essentials of a high stan dard of citizenship. If we ever become a nation of molly-coddles we shall be easily whipped, and that half a hundred bills creating

Germany means that in post-war trade negotiations we will be in a position to take an active part There are constitutional limitations on our handling of the tar iff which makes a bargaining taiiff impracticable. Congress is prohibited from delegating to any man or body of men the function of tariff rate-making on our imports because it has to do with the revenues. It is a pity some of our legislators can not get that through their heads. But there is no constitutional prohibition against the adoption of maximum and minimum rates of duty, and it is highly probable that that much maligned and highly effective Republican principle will a gain be brought to the fore when we come to consider the quid pro quos of a war-weary world.

The New York 'Times (Dem.) has very appropriately called attention to some facts of war-time history. It says: "There are plenty still living who recall the scandals of the Civil war and the ill-

gotten profits of those who came to be known, very suggestively, as the 'shoddy aristocracy.' the Spanish war came along, and beef to worthless ships were palmed off on the country at ex orbitant prices." The Times thinks there is no danger of such war, but disclosures of fraud in Canada a few months ago are likely to leave most people with the idea that relaxation of vigilance upon the theory that twentieth century civilization has made all men honest, is unwise, There is much good sense in the sugpoint a joint committee on the conduct of the war, which committee could guard against many mistakes of policy as well as keep an eye open for irregularities that would lead to scandal. Senator Weeks of Massachusetts and Representative Madden of Illinois, who have introduced resolutions for the appointment of such a committee, are themselves men fully appreciate the need of careful supervision of expenditures

> [Contributed] Political Gossip.

According to Dr. Shepard there is indeed a new Cox-worse than the old!

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The legislature passed a bill appropriating \$7500 for a soldier's monument in Auglaize county. Governor Cox vetoed it, stating that other counties had always erected such monuments at their own expense and that the bid was a gratuitous insult to the citizenship of Auglaize county, Without comment we leave the dispute between the Democratic egislature and the Democratic $x \times x$

When Dr. Shepard learned too late that Jimmy could betray, what art could smoothe his mel ancholy or drive his wrath away? $x \quad x \quad x$

Since the legislature has adjourned it has been developed new jobs, increasing new salar ies, or creating new sources of Our entry into the war against expenditure, were passed by that interesting body. No one has as yet found where it eliminated a job, cut a salary, or saved a dollar. Economy is a nuisance to the builder of a political machine.

> x x x The Enquirer described the comedy of errors in the Cox highway bill as "this state of muddled facts." The word "muddled" exactly fills the bill.

xxx Count the day lost that Governor Cox's strategy board is unable to devise some scheme whereby the ambitious Governor will be thrown into the limelight.

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Perhaps Governor Cox, in his enthusiasm over Dr. Shepard, erstwhile board of administration member who had championed Cox during the campaign last year, although a Republican, unwittingly overestimated his worth when he placed it at \$4000 a minate. It is possible he now places a value of only \$4 a year upon the Doctor's services.

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A shrewd politician, when he desires to "pull" something likely to go against the public grain, Things were little better when will choose a moment when the public attention is detracted by all kinds of junk, from embalmed other events. One naturally wonders if the Democratic administration had any motive in placing the Democratic postmasters under a blanket civil service at a experiences during the present period when the entire nation was engrossed over a tense war

 $x \times x$ And for once Governor Cox has no alibi. He himself signed the Mulcahey bill with its colossal blunder almost leaping out of its pages to meet his vision. As gestion that Congress should ap- this was the bill to recast the Cass road law and affects every road in Ohio, existing and under contract, it, at least, might have had a little care given to it.

> XXX During the recent "legislative rest" at Columbus 120 bills were passed in a single week, 30 on one day. Of course, no real attention was or could be paid to them. Now it is found that the new state highway law is defective. After setting forth the deficiencies of the new law, the Enquirer says: "This state of muddled facts does not appear in the engrossed bill, but in the enrolled bill, signed by the presiding officers of the Assembly and by the Governor."

 $\mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{x} \quad \mathbf{x}$ Of course, Ohio did not get the \$12,700,000 government armor plate plant. Don't we get to pay the taxes north of the Ohio river? What more can we want?

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LIC MONEYS FROM ONE FUND TO ANOTHER. Notice is hereby given that on the leth day of November, ibid, the township trustees of Mississinawa township, Darke country, Ohio, flied their pottition in the Court of Common Pleas of Darke ecunty, Ohio, being cause number 20,972, on the dockets of said courts, praying therein for authority to transfer the sum of \$269.65, which is now in the Bridge fund of said township, to the Road fund of said township, the reason for the transfer being fully set out in said petition.

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Said petition will be for hearing in said court on the 28 h day of April, A. D. 1917.
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